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Assistant Commissioner for Communications
General Services Administration
Washington, D. C. 20405

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Sincerely,

SIGNED R. L. Bannerman

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cc: Executive Director-Comptroller
Director of Logistics

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## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

Mr. Robert B. Conrad Assistant Commissioner for Communications General Services Administration Washington, D. C. 20405

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Communications

Will you please work with the Office of Logistics as appropriate and prepare a response to this letter from Mr. Conrad. The response should be for the signature of the Deputy Director for Support with a copy to the Executive Director-Comptroller.

A copy of Mr. Conrad's letter and this note has been forwarded to the Director of Logistics.

SIGNED Alan M. Warfield

Alan M. Warfield

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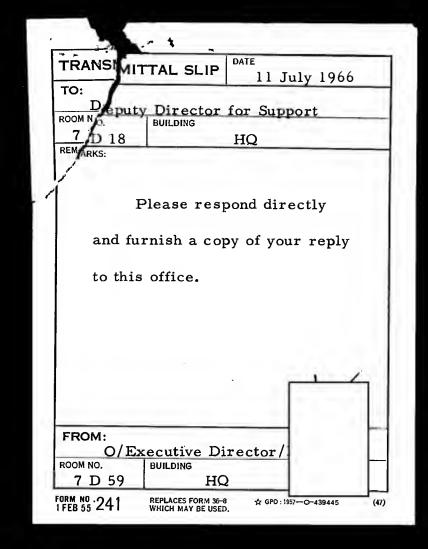
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Transportation and Communications Service
Washington, D.C. 20405

IN REPLY REFER TO:

July 7, 1966

Honorable Richard M. Helms
Director of Central Ingelligence
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Helms:

The Federal Telecommunications System, as maintained by the General Services Administration, seeks to satisfy the communication needs of all the participating agencies. In order to perform this function properly, it is essential that we analyze the latest techniques and equipment which might produce increased economy and efficiency in Government operations. Accordingly, we have been requested to identify requirements for certain specialized communications systems that may prove to be advantageous, provided sufficient need is exhibited by the participating agencies. Among these are the following:

- 1. A cryptographically secure common user voice service with conferencing capability;
- Video transmissions of subject matter (diagrams, specifications, charts, etc.) being discussed over the long distance telephone; and,
- 3. A service which will permit telephone discussions of private matters without fear of disclosure to unauthorized persons.

In order to continue further with our investigations, we must know which agencies have an interest in these services. Therefore, we are requesting a letter giving us an indication of your agency's interest in these services.

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Recognizing that there are many factors which preclude commitments from agencies at this time, the information furnished in response to this request should be considered for further discussion purposes only. If specific requirements are not presently known, it would be helpful if you could indicate potential applications for the service or services desired. When we have accumulated all information from the interested agencies, we will arrange for individual or group discussions relevant to these matters.

It would be appreciated if your reply could be forwarded to the address below by July 30, 1966. Negative replies are also desired to complete survey statistics. Information concerning your secure voice requirements should be marked "For Official Use Only" or classified consistent with the classification requirements of your agency.

General Services Administration
Transportation and Communications
Service
Office of Communications
Planning and Requirements Division
Washington, D. C. 20405

Queries relative to this request may be directed to the address above or may be made by telephone to Government dial code 183-4842 (343-4842).

Sincerely yours,

Robert B. Conrad

Assistant Commissioner

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